Testimony on HB 1151

Honorable members of the House Committee on Energy and Natural Resourses.

On behalf of the Kongslie Ranch location South of Towner, N.D. We support House Bill 1151.

I am Lynn Kongslie 68yrs old , I have ranched all my life as my Dad, Grandfather and Great grandfather did they homestead here in 1878. My son and his family are taking over his childern are the sixth generation.

I just want to touch on this one subject. We have about 3ft. of snow on the on ground and the deer are yarding up in our feed yards about 400 hundred deer are eating in the silage, hay and feed piles they are practically on top of each other. Now if there is a concern of CWD in a bait pile which will be about only 5 to 15 deer. Can we imagine whats going on where we feed, with 400 or more deer, if it is spreads this way.

What so difficult to believe is we are being told as a land owner is we can't take a 5 gallon bucket of feed or bait and put on the land that was paid for by hard work, sweat, death, and tears is unbelievable, you think to youself how can this be happening.